

# Tattoo'd Lifestyle

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## KELLY EDEN







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TATTOO BY PHILLIP SPEARMAN (INK WORKS)





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# MO'Gade











*Throughout her stay in Nicaragua*

*where her family is from, MJ Lindo has been inspired to paint multiracial women in a sensual way while maintaining a vulnerability in her subjects.*





Currently a bay area artist MJ has lived in the US and in Canada which has exposed her to many different cultures outside of her own. She finds Hindu culture inspiring from the multi limbed beautifully colorful Gods to the henna that the Indian brides wear. As a little girl living in Toronto, Canada, MJ would ride the subway everyday in hopes of seeing the huge graffiti pieces covering tremendous street walls - opening her eyes to the influential art style. The decay and self wounding portrayed in MJ's work symbolizes equality and vulnerability of the human race. It's a message of coexistence and acceptance. While MJ has painted on many different mediums, she prefers and craves the firmness and stability she gets from painting on wood canvases. She continues to paint to document life lessons and journeys and will improve as she gains insight and wisdom.





# Cammi-Li



***TL: How did you get your start in modeling? Why alternative modeling?***

I was actually at a tattoo shop, getting a tattoo ... I was looking through I believe PRICKED mag and thought to myself "Hey! I can do that!" lol ... I picked alternative modeling because in my opinion I feel like I can express myself more. If that even makes sense? ha.

***TL: Tell us about your artwork and who your artist(s) are?***

My half sleeve's meaning I don't really tell anyone about lol. It's a secret :x and the rib piece means, I'd rather be dead than a caged bird - both done by Steve Whittenberger. My Sailor Moon was done by Nikko Hurtado and my Wicked Witch of the West was done by Paul Acker. They're both part of my sleeve in the making of all my childhood characters.

***TL: Who's your favorite artist and why? (any style artist)***

My favorites right now would be Paul Acker and Nikko Hurtado. I LOVE how they make the tattoo look like an actual painting. The colors, details ... I'm obsessed.

***TL: We're pretty adventurous here at Tattoo'd Lifestyle. What kind of things get your adrenaline pumping?***


I used to Barrel Race and Pole bend. Which is an event done at rodeos. I LOVE IT!

***TL: What's on tap for the future (projects, tattoos, etc)?***

I would like to finish my childhood themed sleeve... I'm going to be on the shirts of TWISTED FUKS ... Which I'm super excited about! Also, 2K2BT clothing line.





A woman with dark hair and multiple tattoos is lying on her side in shallow, rippling water. She is wearing a dark blue bikini bottom. Her tattoos include a large, colorful fish on her upper arm and a black and white design on her hip. She is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a soft-focus view of water and rocks.

*I'd rather be dead than a caged bird*

*TL: Where can we find you on the web?*

[www.Cami-Li.com](http://www.Cami-Li.com)  
[www.Facebook.com/CamiLi1230](https://www.facebook.com/CamiLi1230)  
[www.Twitter.com/CamiLiModel](https://www.twitter.com/CamiLiModel)

PHOTOGRAPHY BY DREW SHOOT'S



# RHODE ISLAND TATTOO EXPO



APRIL 27TH, 28TH & 29TH, 2012

FRIDAY 5PM - 11PM ★ SATURDAY 12NOON - 11PM ★ SUNDAY 12NOON - 6PM ★

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- ★LIVE TATTOOING & PIERCING
- ★LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
- ★CONTESTS & AWARDS

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- ★UNIQUE VENDORS
- ★SPECIAL GUESTS &  
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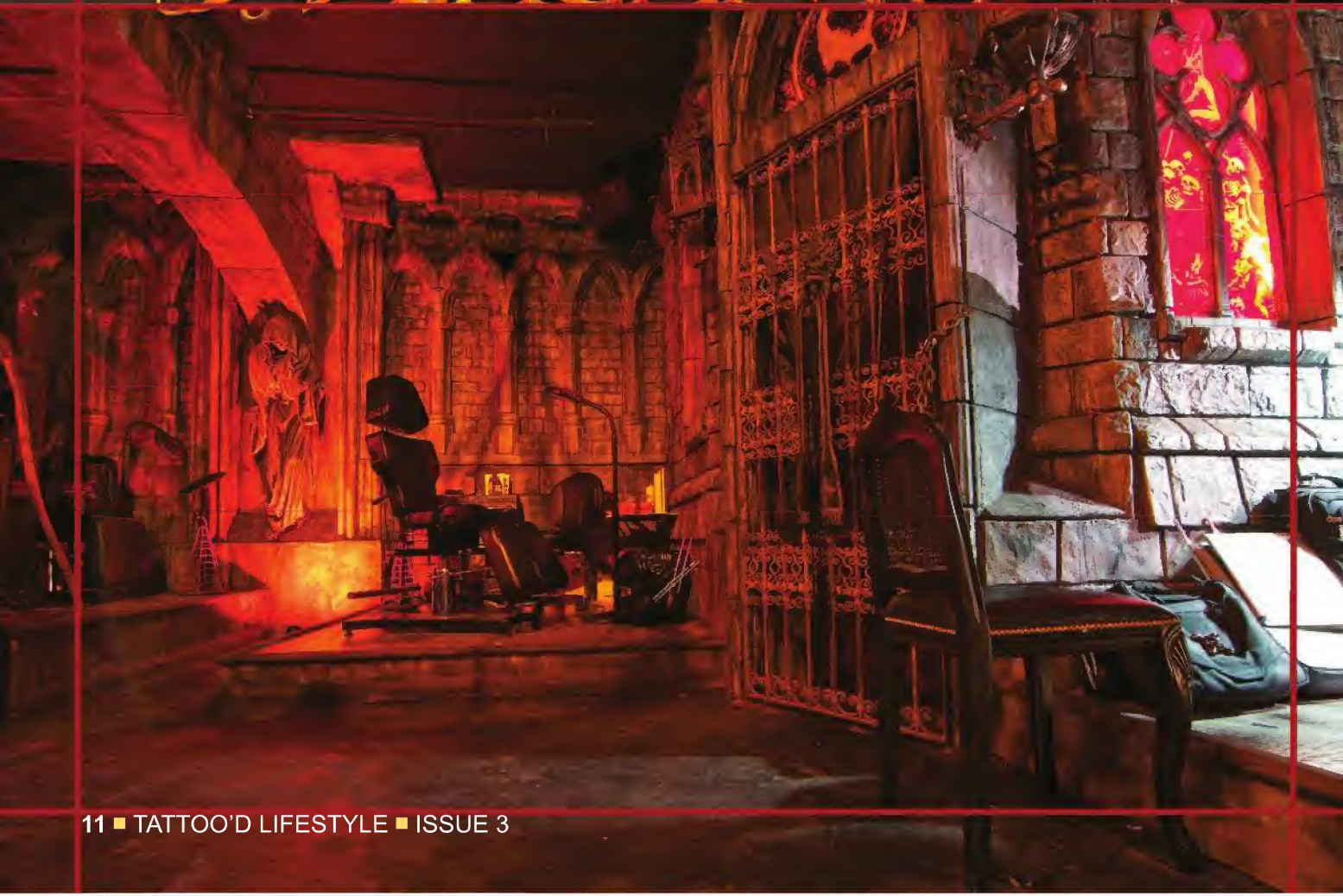


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# STEFANO ALACANTARA







PHOTOGRAPHY BY MALY BLOMBERG



**TL:** *Besides tattooing and art, what do you like to do outside of the "office?"*

STEFANO: Outside of the office, I love to try different restaurants every time I can, and NY is the perfect place to do that! Another thing I'm really into is MMA, I try to train every time I can or at least go to the gym I think a healthy body is a healthy mind.

**TL:** *What kinds of art did your great grandfather dabble in that caught your attention?*

STEFANO: My great grandfather was a portrait artist. I grew up looking at his paintings in my families' houses and he was always an inspiration and set a high standard for art. I tried different styles of painting and tattooing, but what comes natural to me is drawing people. This is why I feel a connection with him!

**TL:** *Where is your Tattoo Studio located?*

STEFANO: I work in Last Rites Tattoo Theatre in New York City for the past 2 and a half years now, sharing art experiences with the most amazing tattoo artists in the planet! I also own a tattoo Studio located in Lima, Peru. I am proud to say that after many years, 'Stefano's Tattoo Studio' is the most well known shop in my country.

**TL:** *Tell us about some crazy or fun shenanigans that go on in your shop (we at Tattoo'd Lifestyle get a little crazy in the office)...*

STEFANO: Uff Last Rites is a permanent Shenanigans!! You never know what is gonna happen hahaha! During the last remodeling of the shop, we all have many stories!

**TL:** *You have a flair for realistic tattoos; is there a "style" that you would say you fit into?*

STEFANO: Totally! Realistic is my thing, I feel so comfortable tattooing or painting realistic.

**TL:** *Tell us what conventions we can find you at!!*

STEFANO: I post all my updates of conventions in my different pages, but this year I hope to travel to Europe and Asia for conventions.

**TL:** *Describe your experience having a guest spot at Paul Booth's studio.*

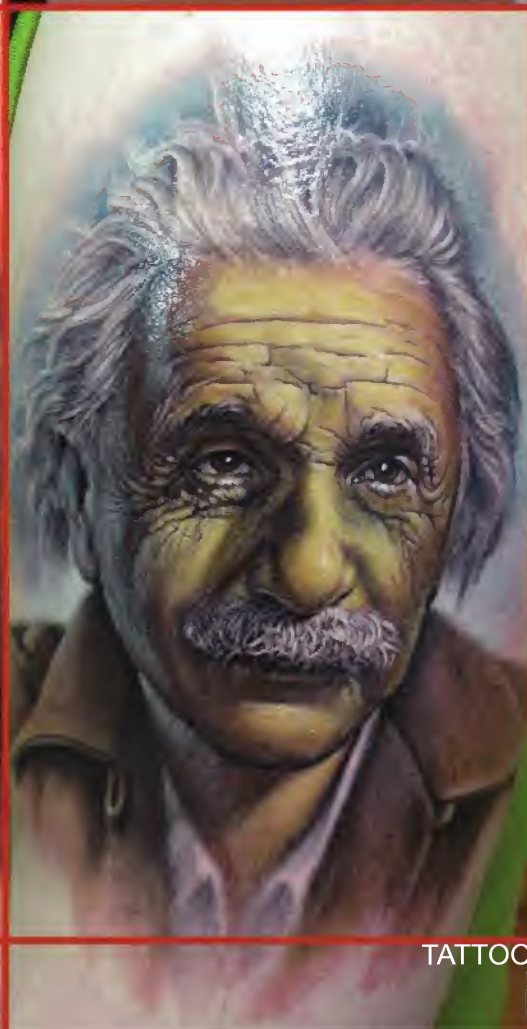
STEFANO: My guest spot in Last Rites was definitely a great experience! It was an honor to come all the way from Peru to be the first Latin to step foot in Paul Booth's studio and then later become part of Last Rites permanent team.

**TL:** *Tell me anything else about yourself you want your fans to know and where can we find you!!*

STEFANO: I went to school for Graphic Designs and I didn't expect to be a tattoo artist, let alone, be interviewed in tattoo magazines and inspiring upcoming artist, it makes me happy to be a voice in my industry. I'm a huge believer in following your gut and your heart.

You guys can find me in NYC in [www.darkimages.com](http://www.darkimages.com) and around the world on <http://bit.ly/stefanofanpage> [www.twitter.com/stefanostattoos](https://www.twitter.com/stefanostattoos) [www.youtube.com/stefanostattoo](https://www.youtube.com/stefanostattoo)









# VIOLETT





# EYES

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# MY NAME IS VIOLETEYES

and I am a pinup/fetish model that's  
heavily inked and slightly  
(Ok well a lot) zombie obsessed!



*I'm also a gorelesque performer which involves me stabbing myself in my stomach on stage and pulling out my innards and eating fire while shaking my hips to either Rob Zombie or the Horrorpops - its a bit of a messy show and not for the faint hearted as I've managed to make bar staff sick before who weren't quite expecting my to start shimmying with my intestines!*

I've been lucky enough to work for some amazing designers and even had latex pieces designed around my tattoos' (some designers know how to make a girl feel special!).

I think I work predominately in the cross over between vintage pinup and fetish/ latex and it's where I like to be, I've always had a crazy love for the 1940's pinup but with a modern twist and I think that's where I discovered tattoos.

My first piece of ink was a dragon on my lower back that was the "sick of it all" logo (Hardcore punk band) and I got hooked from there, I got a nautical star in-between my shoulders, next trip was a waterfall of stars down my spine and before I knew it I had a back piece, then started taking it up the back of my neck, across my ribs, down my arms....I've got big plans for the skin I have left including a homage to my love of B movie's pinup's and Zombie's and I'm rather desperate to get "Lady" and "Luck" across my knuckles....

**Feel free to come and say hello at:  
[www.violeteyes.co.uk](http://www.violeteyes.co.uk)**

where I regular blog and keep people unto date with new ink, up and coming shows and new shoots.







26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL



# AM-JAM TATTOO EXPO

PHOTOS BY REVEREND VEGAS







# WE FORGOT IT WAS WINTER

and joined the fun at the 26th Annual AM-JAM Tattoo Expo from January 27th, 2012 to January 29th, 2012! This annual Expo is held in Syracuse, NY at the Holiday Inn on Electronics Parkway for 3 Ink filled days.







Artist: Ken Kamage

Tattoo by Matt Macabre (Pride and Glory Tattoo Co)











Tattoo by Lee Heavlen (5star tattoo co)

**T**ATTOO enthusiasts, lovers and collectors alike came out for this event to see The Lizardman, Amy Nicoletto from LA Ink and Doreen Lewis (Illustrated Lady) and of course the internationally known tattoo artists that attended.

Everyone enjoyed the daily tattoo contests including Best Tattoo of the Day, Fallen Artist Category (in memory of fallen artists and their work) and Virgin Tattoo for the attendants with their very first tattoo. Over 20 competitions were available for tattoo lovers to enter.

Make sure to not miss this event next year, get some INK, get pierced, take one of the classes or just come by to enjoy the artists and amazing tattoos.

[www.am-jam.com](http://www.am-jam.com)

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Tattoo by Kim (Phoenix Rising)







# Kelly Eden

PHOTOS BY LAURA DARK  
HAIR / SYNTHETIC REBELLION  
MUA / MASCARAID









**TL: Kelly, you seem to be everywhere these days. How did you get started in modeling?**

I guess it all started back when I was working at my second Tattoo shop in 2009. A photographer was hired to come in and take photos of all the artists for the shop website. The other 3 artists shot for less then 3 minutes, I shot for 2 hours. I remember seeing the expression on his face after looking through the photos, he said, "Have you ever thought about modeling before?" After that, I was hooked.

**TL: What (if any) are your inspirations for your tattoos?**

My tattoos are my life story. Every image on my arm is about my progression as a human being and what influenced me growing up.

**TL: What kind of rad, crazy stuff do you do when you're not being a gorgeous model?**

Well I'm also a makeup Artist. I spend a lot of time working at MAC (which I love!) If I'm not working or shooting, I'm usually at home painting in my studio..... or watching cartoons.... AND GOING ON MAGICAL ADVENTURES!!!

**TL: You've had some great experiences already in your modeling career. What things do you have up and coming?**

I recently took a trip to Hollywood to co-star in the Escape the Fate video, which was a blast! I'm definitely looking forward to starring in more music videos in the future. Also, Tim Miller (Who sculpts the action figures for Marvel) is in the process of creating a Kelly Eden doll. How cool is that?! I also finally graduated college. I've been working 4 long years to get my Bachelors Degree in Fine Arts.

I'm also planning on Visiting London, France, and Japan this year!

**TL: Are you involved in other arts besides tattoos and modeling?**

Well, as I mentioned above, I just graduated from the Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design with my Bachelors in fine arts. I've been involved in the arts nearly my entire life, I guess you could say I was somewhat of a prodigy child. My talent and passion for the arts was recognized at a very young age.

I excel at hyper realistic portraiture on a very large scale. Most of my oil paintings are 6 feet tall. Art is more than a beautiful object to hang on the wall. It is a vehicle for understanding myself. Making art is like dreaming. It is a way to sort out the problems of my mind. In this way, art is about expressing personal issues. Art functions simultaneously as a therapeutic process and as a method for expressing my attitudes and beliefs.



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ORIGINAL PAINTINGS BY KELLY EDEN

**TL:** *For our female readers, tell us about how you stay in such great shape!*

1. Jump on a trampoline. An hour of jumping burns 1000 calories! Plus it's fun!
2. Go on adventures! Staying active is a big part of my health habits. So even if I'm too busy to head to the gym, I'm still getting a little exercise.
3. Love and respect yourself. Being healthy is just as psychological as it is physical. You've got to keep a pos-

itive mindset ALWAYS.. Because in the end, self love is what health is really all about.

**TL:** *Where can we find you on the web?*

KellyEden.net  
facebook.com/kellyedenofficial  
Twitter- @Kelly\_Eden

**TL:** *Tell us anything about you, your artwork, your inspiration, and/or other arts/activities that we didn't ask you about ...*





Besides functioning as a therapeutic tool, I also use art to discuss the issues I face as a woman in this society. I create paintings and drawings that express my inner conflicts, misery, and desires. These conflicts have to do with my personal experiences concerning struggling with my identity, and exploring the differences between looking at myself, women, and men. There are many confusing messages that society sends to women, and in my art, I raise these issues for both myself and the viewer to ponder. Another important aspect of my work is the question of who is the artist and who is the object of the art. I create self-portraits that complicate the idea of the artistic genius capturing the object of beauty. By the "object of beauty", I am referring to the way that artists have been involved with depicting the "ideal" female and how there really is no fixed perception of what is ideal. The standards of beauty are forever evolving, in accordance with the fashion of the time, and I am concerned with society's message that there is a "perfect" kind of woman that we must live up to. ■



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Photo by Laura Dark  
Necklace and Pasties by Art with Latex  
Makeup by Deanna Roberts  
Hairstylist Odette Despaired





# TOMMY



BORN AND RAISED IN GROTON, CONNECTICUT,  
I AM A LOCAL ARTIST WORKING TOWARDS  
TRANSCENDING MY PASSION FOR STUDIO ART INTO  
**THE ART OF TATTOOING...**

A collage featuring a pizza, a gas mask, and a skull. The pizza is in the foreground, with a gas mask and a skull in the background.

**SLOCUM**









I am extremely confident that, for the past two years, I have been working alongside the best artists in the area. Furthermore, I hope to feed off the connection established between my imagery created on non-living canvases to that of which I create on human canvases.

I am a Graduate of Salve Regina University. Attending from 2000 to 2003, I earned my BFA with an emphasis in painting, along with a minor in Art History. While a student at SRU, I was afforded the opportunities to study under the likes of painters Gerry Perrino, Daniel Ludwig, and renowned potter, Jay Lacouture.

Black and Grey style where my strength lies. However, I love doing color work as well. I learn something new everyday, and appreciate the fact that my work will speak for itself.

I can be found working at 12 Tattoos & Body Piercing! Come in and see me at 565 Long Hill Road in Groton, Connecticut!



# DAMEN RAY DECENT



Photography by Rudd McPhototaker





Most people don't believe I'm a small town boy from Brainerd Minnesota. Believe me when I say you can't go without fishing in the land of 10,000 lakes. Small town, small school. I attended most of your normal classes, the only thing I really enjoyed though was art and a cappella choir. I didn't get into modifying myself until I was about 22, but once it started it never stopped. Living in a conservative town wasn't easy but I was always told to be myself so I did just that. My Tattoos are an expression of myself and say a lot about who I am. From my feisty attitude to my softer family oriented side. Tony Powers aka Geo of No Shoes Tattoos keeps my thirst for more ink at bay. I've always been the kind of person to work for what ever I want. Raised by a strong single mother I've taken nothing in life for granted and always take time to help people out when they need it. The phrase what comes around goes around fits perfectly. I'm a total motor head and adrenaline junky. From motorcycles to fast cars, I've done it all. I also love firearms and going shooting. Randomly I was asked to start modeling and I never thought it would end up anywhere. Thanks to my photographer Rudd McPhototaker before I knew it I was doing photo shoots for DSMP Clothing and Tobi Shirts. I mean I've always liked to dress fashionable but who would've guessed? Much of my life revolves around family and friends as well as my full bred Siberian Husky Turbo. When I do have my own time, I love going to the gym, listening to music and watching zombie flicks. I mean who doesn't? I plan to move to Arizona soon to be closer to my family since they moved and to be closer to the bigger cities. I also hope to jump-start my own modeling and promotional company within the next two years of my chaotic life. Of course, you can bet your last dollar I'll still be collecting some more great art for my body.



